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CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Eva Rodriguez Gonzalez  
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Dear Ms. Gonzalez:

This Office represents the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (hereinafter, "NCDACS") and this letter is written in that capacity.

We recently received information from NCDACS concerning misbranded meat products that you transported, stored, offered for sale and sold to the general public. Specifically, the NCDACS investigation found 30 pounds of misbranded meat products (Mexican Chorizo Sausage) with no NCDA or USDA mark of inspection or required labeling. In a signed statement dated June 27, 2009, you admitted that for the past two months, you purchased beef meat products from the local grocery store in Wilson, NC, transported it back to your home and formulated the beef meat into Mexican Chorizo Sausage without the benefit of county, State or Federal inspection. You further admitted that you transported the meat products to the Wilson Flea Market where you then offered it for sale to your retail customers. You do not operate under county, state or federal inspection.

Please be advised that the sale of misbranded and/or uninspected meat is a violation of North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §106-549.23 with civil and criminal penalties. Please understand that you will not receive any further warning with regard to this violation. If you should continue to sell misbranded and/or uninspected meat products, the NCDACS will pursue legal action against you to invoke the penalties associated with these continued violations. I certainly hope this expensive action will not be necessary.

Sincerely,

Anne J. Brown  
Special Deputy Attorney General

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cc: Mr. Donald H. Delozier, MPID Director

8/27/09 cc: Wilson Co Health Dept  
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